

February 4, 1891,

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SECRETARY OF WAR,

Recommends that Ex. Order of Dec. 22, 1890, turning over the military reservation of Ft. Gibson, I.T., to the Department of the Interior be cancelled, and that the said reservation, excepting a piece of ground 600 feet in length by 500 feet in width, be transferred and turned over to the Department of the Interior for disposition under the Act of July 5, 1884.

EXECUTIVE MANSION

February 17th, 1891.

The within recommendation is approved.

The Secretary of the Interior will cause the same to be noted on the records of the General Land Office.

BENJ. HARRISON

6-14
Subject: Transfer of Fort Gibson Military Reservation.

802-P-R-D-1891.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Washington City, February 4th, 1891.

To the President of the United States.

Sir:

By Department letter of December 18, 1890, I had the honor to recommend that the military reservation of Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, no longer required for military purposes, be turned over to the Department of the Interior for disposition under the Act of July 5, 1884, entitled "An Act to provide for the disposal of abandoned and useless military reservations." This recommendation was approved by you December 22, 1890, and the records of the General Land Office directed to be noted accordingly.

The Quartermaster General of the Army now calls my attention to the fact that there is located on the said military reservation of Fort Gibson a small piece of land, which is the site of a National Cemetery, and that it is desirable that this Cemetery be still retained for military purposes.

I have, therefore, to recommend that the Executive order of December 22, 1890, in the matter be cancelled, and that

the said reservation, excepting a piece of ground six hundred (600) feet in length by five hundred (500) feet in width, the same being the site of the Fort Gibson National Cemetery, be transferred and turned over to the Department of the Interior for disposition under the Act of July 5, 1884, or as may be otherwise provided by law.

Very respectfully,

Redfield Proctor

Secretary of War.